

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Proclamation

VETERANS DAY



NOVEMBER 11, 2007

WHEREAS, Veterans' Day is celebrated on November 11 of every year to honor all those who have served in the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marines; and

WHEREAS, Veterans' Day was first celebrated in 1938 to commemorate the Armistice that ended World War I on November 11, 1918; and in 1954, Congress revised the holiday to honor all veterans of military service; and

WHEREAS, military service to the nation is an honorable profession that requires sacrifice and support by service members as well as their families; and

WHEREAS, citizens of the District of Columbia have served with distinction in all branches of the military throughout our nation's history, and are currently in combat overseas, despite being denied full Congressional Voting Rights at home:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, THE MAYOR OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, do hereby call upon all the residents of this great city to participate in activities commemorating **VETERANS DAY** on November 11, 2007, and to honor all those who have served the District of Columbia and the United States of America through membership in the Armed Forces.

